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**To All Judo Federation Presidents
of Asia, Oceania, Africa, Pan America and Europe**

Dear President,

As Prime Minister of Samoa, it gives me great pleasure to extend to your Federation an official invitation to attend this year's 2009 OJU Judo World Cup.

This prestigious World Cup event of Judo will be held on this beautiful Pacific Island of ours, from November 13th to 18th including the Oceania President's Cup.

We expect in the vicinity of 40 countries if not more to attend and it is a privilege for me as Prime Minister of Samoa and Chairman of the Executive Board for this event, to welcome you to Samoa.

Today we live in an age where the world needs friendship, unity, and peace. And the Olympic sport of Judo celebrates Peace in the world through its global initiative of "**Judo for Peace**". In the same light, our country Samoa with our peaceful, friendly, beautiful Polynesian people and pristine environment warmly welcomes you to our shores. And we can guarantee you a wonderful experience of our Samoan culture and our warm Pacific hospitality.

I want to thank personally Dr Marius Vizer, President of the International Judo Federation (IJF), for giving Samoa the opportunity and the trust to run such a world class event as the OJU World Cup.

I look forward to your participation.

Yours sincerely,

Hon. Tuilaepa Lupesoli'ai Sa'ilele Malielegaoi
PRIME MINISTER OF THE INDEPENDENT STATE OF SAMOA